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BANKS.

HONGKONG & SHANGHAI BANKING CORPORATION.

PAID-UP CAPITAL, 5,000,000 Dollars. RESERVE FUND, 1,300,000 Dollars.

COURT OF DIRECTORS.

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HONGKONG.

INTEREST ALLOWED.

ON Current Deposit Account at the rate of 2 per cent. per annum on the daily balance.

For Fixed Deposits:—

For 3 months, 3 per cent. per annum.

" 6 " 4 " " "

" 12 " 5 " " "

LOCAL BILLS DISCOUNTED.

Credits granted on approved Securities, and every description of Banking and Exchange business transacted.

Drafts, granted on London, and the chief Commercial places in Europe, India, Australia, America, China and Japan.

T. JACKSON, Chief Manager.

Offices of the Corporation, No. 1, Queen's Road East.

Hongkong, February 15, 1879.

ORIENTAL BANK CORPORATION.

(Incorporated by Royal Charter.)

RATES OF INTEREST ALLOWED ON FIXED DEPOSITS.

At 3 months' notice 3% per annum.

" 6 " " 4% " "

" 12 " " 5% " "

On Current Accounts at Rates which can be ascertained at their Office.

D. A. J. COMBIE, Acting Manager.

Oriental Bank Corporation, Hongkong, November 23, 1878.

CHARTERED BANK OF INDIA, AUSTRALIA, AND CHINA.

CAPITAL, £200,000. RESERVE FUND, £100,000.

THE BANK OF ENGLAND.

THE CITY BANK.

THE NATIONAL BANK OF SCOTLAND.

THE BANK'S BRANCH in Hongkong grants Drafts on London and the Chief Commercial places in Europe and the East; buys and receives for collection Bills of Exchange; and conducts all kinds of Banking and Exchange business.

RATES OF INTEREST ALLOWED ON DEPOSITS.

On Current Accounts, 2 per cent. per annum on the daily balance.

On Fixed Deposits:—

For 3 months, 3 per cent. per annum.

" 6 " 4 " " "

" 12 " 5 " " "

Entertainment.

GARRISON THEATRE.

BY PERMISSION

OF MAJOR-GENERAL E. DONOVAN, AND

LIEUT.-COLONEL HALL, AND

OFFICERS R.A.

THE ROYAL ARTILLERY

DRAMATIC CLUB,

will give

A PERFORMANCE,

THIS & TO-MORROW

EVENINGS,

the 15th and 16th April, 1879.

For the benefit of a Widow of the

Corps.

The Performance

will commence each EVENING,

with the

DOMESTIC DRAMA

In Two Acts, entitled

THE CHIMNEY CORNER.

To conclude

Each EVENING with the Original and

Entertaining FARCE, entitled

B. B.

By kind permission the Band of 27th

Inneskillings will attend.

Price of Admission:—

First Seats, 50 Cents.

Second do., 25 Cents.

Third do., 10 Cents.

Tickets can be obtained at the OFFICERS' MESS, SERGEANTS' MESS, and CANTEN SERGEANTS, R.A., and 27th INNESKILLINGS, and at the Doors on the Nights of Performance.

Doors Open at 8.30 p.m.

To Commence at 9.00 "

PUNKERS.

"GOD SAVE THE QUEEN."

Hongkong, April 15, 1879. ap17

Auctions.

PUBLIC AUCTION.

THE Undersigned has received instructions to sell by Public Auction, on

FRIDAY,

the 18th of April, 1879, at 11 a.m., at his Sales Room, Zetland Street,—

(For account of the concerned,)

50 Cases YELLOW METAL, from 16 to 24 cune.

TERMS—Cash on delivery.

F. RAPP, Auctioneer.

Hongkong, April 12, 1879. ap18

PUBLIC AUCTION.

TO BE SOLD BY PUBLIC AUCTION, shortly, on a day to be hereafter named, unless previously disposed of by private contract,—

THE HONGKONG DISTILLERY,

Situate at East Point, Hongkong, now in Complete Working Order, and Capable of Distilling upwards of 2,000 Gallons daily. The Property is of most valuable nature, comprising THREE

PIECES OF GROUND close to the water, viz:—Inland Lots Nos. 749, 781 and 782, with the Substantially Built DWELLING HOUSE and BUSINESS PREMISES, erected specially for the purpose only a few years since, together with the MACHINERY, ENGINES, STEELS, VATS, STOCK, and TRADE FURNITURE and FIXTURES.

For further Particulars, apply to Messrs SHARP, TOLLER, and JOHNSON,

Solicitors, Supreme Court House, Hongkong.

Hongkong, March 5, 1879.

Intimations.

WANTED a Situation, by a YOUNG PORTUGUESE, who writes a fast and good hand, and is willing to accept any respectable salary.

First-class Recommendations.

Address, A. B. C.

Hongkong, April 9, 1879. ap16

HONGKONG WHARF & GODOWNS STORAGE.

GOODS RECEIVED ON STORAGE at Moderate Rates, in FIRST-CLASS GODOWNS, under European supervision; and VESSELS Discharged alongside the WHARF, on favorable Terms, with quick despatch.

MEYER & Co., Proprietors.

Hongkong, November 29, 1878. my20

EX LATE ARRIVALS.

CALCUTTA SUN HATS and HELMETS in New Shapes. CHRISTY'S SUMMER STRAW and FELT HATS. ELLWOOD'S EXTRA LIGHT PATENT AIR CHAMBER HELMETS. FRENCH LIGHT SUMMER BOOTS & SHOES, CANVAS SHOES.

ELECTRO-PLATED ICE PAILS, ICE TONGS, ICE SHOVELS, ICE PITCHERS. The New ELECTRO-PLATED READING LAMPS for Kerosene, perfectly safe. ELECTRO-PLATED CIGAR LAMPS, LAWN TENNIS BATS and BALLS. POCKET SIPHONIAS and WATERPROOF COATS.

AUTOMATON UMBRELLAS, PERFUMERY and TOILET SOAPS. INDIA RUBBER AIR BEDS, CUSHIONS and PILLOWS.

The New CHIT BOOKS. MAPS OF AFGHANISTAN. CAFEETERIES. COCA-NUT MATTING & MATS. New SCARVES, BRACES and COLLARS.

The PATENT LIFE JACKETS and SWIMMING BELTS. MEERSCHAUM and BRIAR PIPES. DE LA RUE'S and AMERICAN PLAYING CARDS.

The Celebrated HUNYADI JANOS MINERAL WATER. SPRATT'S FIBRINE DOG BISCUITS. MAGNIFYING GLASSES.

MAPS OF CHINA. A Large COLLECTION OF WORKS OF REFERENCE. FAMILY SCALES. OVERLAND TRUNKS.

CLARETS, SAUTERNES and OTHER LIGHT SUMMER WINES.

LANE, CRAWFORD & Co.

Hongkong, April 2, 1879.



GOVERNMENT NOTIFICATION.

HIS EXCELLENCY GOVERNOR POPE HENNESSEY intends to receive GENERAL GRANT at the MURRAY PIER on the GENERAL'S arrival, and the Governor would be glad if the Members of both Councils, the Foreign Consuls, the Heads of Departments and the leading inhabitants of the Colony would do him the favour of also welcoming to distinguished a Visitor at the landing place.

The probable time of the General's arrival will be announced in another Notification.

By Command, W. H. MARSH, Colonial Secretary.

Colonial Secretary's Office, Hongkong, April 12, 1879.

IN THE SUPREME COURT OF HONGKONG.

In the Matter of ELIJAH LILLEY, Adjudicated a Bankrupt on the 15th day of October, 1878.

A DIVIDEND MEETING will be held on SATURDAY, the Nineteenth day of April, 1879, in the above Estate, commencing at ELEVEN o'clock in the Forenoon precisely.

CREDITORS who have not already proved their debts, are to come prepared to prove the same, or they will be excluded from the benefit of the Said Dividend, and all CLAIMS not then proved, will be disallowed.

C. B. PLUNKET, Registrar.

Hongkong, April 12, 1879. ap19

THE HONGKONG FIRE INSURANCE COMPANY, LIMITED.

NOTICE TO SHAREHOLDERS.

NOTICE is hereby given that pursuant to the provisions of the Articles of the Association of the Company, and of the Companies Ordinance 1865, an EXTRAORDINARY GENERAL MEETING of Shareholders will be held at the Company's Office, situate at No. 7, Queen's Road, Hongkong, at 3 p.m. on TUESDAY, the 6th day of May next, for the purpose of passing a special Resolution making certain alterations in the Articles of Association of the Company to the following effect, viz:—

1. That the General Managers, with the sanction of the Consulting Committee, in any years that the accounts of the Company shall render it desirable, may pay losses wholly or in part out of the excess of the Reserve Fund over and above \$250,000, in order that contributing and other Shareholders may not unnecessarily be deprived of bonus and Dividend such changes to take effect from the 1st January, 1879.

2. That the annual bonus payable to contributing Shareholders and the annual contribution to the reserve fund be left to the discretion of the General Managers and Consulting Committee, and that the sum to be annually appropriated to dividend be subject to the approval of the Company in Meeting.

NOTICE is hereby also given that a Second Extraordinary General Meeting of Shareholders will be held, at the same hour and place, on TUESDAY, the 20th day of May next, for the purpose of considering such special Resolution as aforesaid.

Dated the 12th day of April, 1879.

JARDINE, MATHESON & Co., General Managers.

NOTICE OFFICE OF THE SHANGHAI STEAM NAVIGATION COMPANY, IN LIQUIDATION.

AN EIGHTH RETURN OF CAPITAL SHARE, will be made to Shareholders of Record on the 3rd April, Payable at the Office of the Liquidators, on WEDNESDAY, the 9th April.

Warrants will then be delivered by the Undersigned to Shareholders, or their lawful representatives, on presentation of Share Certificates for Endorsement.

The Transfer BOOKS of the Company will be CLOSED from the 3rd to the 9th April, inclusive.

By Order, RUSSELL & Co., Liquidators.

Shanghai, April 1, 1879. my7

ROMARIA A SANCHOAN.

PROJECTA-SE fazer uma romaria a sepultura do grande Apostolo da India, S. Francisco Xavier, sahindo d'aqui as 8 horas da tarde, de Sabado, 3 de Maio p.v., (13 de mai) e de Sauchuan no Domingo a hora mais conveniente. Das quatro romarias que se fizeram neste seculo, em Dezembro de 1808, Agosto de 1827, Dezembro de 1869, e 3 de Maio de 1874, esta ultima foi a mais bem succedida em consequencia da falta de ventos impetuosos nesse mez em que a monção do Nordeste cessa de todo.

O preço de bilhetes incluindo comida sera \$5 por cada romeiro.

J. J. DA SILVA E SOUZA, Secretario.

Hongkong, Dia de Anunciação, 1879. m3

FUTCHINGS

begs to announce to the Community of Hongkong that he will be able to supply BEEF, MUTTON, &c., from 1st October, and trusts that they may grant him their support.

SHOP—WELLINGTON STREET, opposite the Cathedral.

Hongkong, September 20, 1878.

Volume Seventh of the "CHINA REVIEW."

Now Ready.

No. 45—Vol. VII.

OF THE—

CHINA REVIEW

CONTAINS—

Jottings from the Book of Rites. Brief Sketches from the Life of K'ung-ming.

The Ballads of the Shikings. Translations of Chinese School-books.

The Critical Disquisitions of Wang Ch'ung.

Alchemy in China. Appendix to Wylie's "Coins of the Ta-Ching Dynasty." "Hien Fung" Period.

Short Notices of New Books and Literary Intelligence.

Notes and Queries:—

A Few pretty Additions to Dr Douglas' Dictionary.

Trouts in China. Ancient Vases. Inheritance. Greeting the Spring.

Adoption. The Term Kwai. Mongol and Yuen-pao. Leasehold Usage.

Chinese Coins. Coronation of the King of Looschoo. The Ouyang Alphabet.

Books Wanted, Exchange, &c.

China Mail Office, Hongkong, March 21, 1879.

Intimations.

NOTICE.

FROM the 1st of OCTOBER, DR EASTLACK will receive his PATIENTS at his new DENTAL ROOMS, No. 50, QUEEN'S ROAD CENTRAL, over the MEDICAL HALL.

Hongkong, September 23, 1878.

DENTAL NOTICE.

DR. ROGERS will visit SHANGHAI during the Summer Months, leaving HONGKONG on the 1st of April next, and returning about 1st November.

Hongkong, February 10, 1879.

For sale.

FOR SALE.

EUGENE RIMMEL'S TROPICAL FLOWER WATER.

SUPERIOR TO ALL SIMILAR PREPARATIONS.

VOGEL & Co., Sole Agents for China.

Hongkong, February 19, 1879. my19

FOR SALE.

DEVON'S KEROSENE OIL, in One Pint Tins, according to the Ordinance.

LANE, CRAWFORD & Co.

Hongkong, April 12, 1879. ap19

NOW READY.

A CHINESE DICTIONARY IN THE CANTONESE DIALECT. Parts I. and II. A to M, with Introduction. Royal 8vo., pp. 404.—By ERNEST JOHN EITEL, Ph.D. Tübingen.

Price: FIVE DOLLARS, or TWO DOLLARS AND A HALF per Part.

To be had from Messrs LANE, CRAWFORD & Co., Hongkong and Shanghai; and Messrs KELLY & WALSH, Shanghai.

Hongkong, March 1, 1878.

WASHING BOOKS.

(In English and Chinese.) WASHMAN'S BOOKS, for the use of Ladies and Gentlemen, are now ready at this Office.—Price, \$1 each.

CHINA MAIL OFFICE.

Shipping.

Steamers.

FOR SINGAPORE, PENANG AND CALOUTTA. The Steamship "MORAY,"

Capt. BUTCHER, will leave for the above Ports on

WEDNESDAY, the 16th Inst., at 3 p.m.

For Freight or Passage, apply to

JARDINE, MATHESON & Co.

Hongkong, April 8, 1879. ap16

FOR SINGAPORE, PENANG AND CALOUTTA. The Steamship "ARRATON APOAR,"

Captain MILNE, will leave for the above Ports on

WEDNESDAY, the 16th Inst., at 3 p.m.

For Freight or Passage, apply to

DAVID SASSOON, SONS & Co., Agents.

Hongkong, April 8, 1879. ap16

NOTICE.

COMPAGNIE DES MESSAGERIES MARITIMES. PAQUEBOT POSTE FRANCAIS.

The Company's Steamship "TANANIS,"

Command. DE LA MARCELLE, will be despatched for YOKOHAMA shortly after the arrival of the next French Mail from Europe.

G. DE CHAMPEAUX, Agent.

Hongkong, April 10, 1879.

NOTICE.

COMPAGNIE DES MESSAGERIES MARITIMES. PAQUEBOT POSTE FRANCAIS.

The Company's Steamship "SINDH,"

Commandant MOGEE, will be despatched for SHANGHAI shortly after her arrival from Europe.

G. DE CHAMPEAUX, Agent.

Hongkong, April 10, 1879.

Shipping.

Steamers.

To-day's Advertisements.

FOR MANILA.
The Steamship
"DIAMANTE,"
Capt. THEBAUD, will be de-
spatched for the above Port
TO-MORROW, the 16th inst., at Noon.
For Freight or Passage, apply to
RUSSELL & Co.
Hongkong, April 15, 1879. ap16

FOR SWATOW, AMOY & FOCHOW.
The Steamship
"Kwangtung,"
Capt. THEBAUD, will be de-
spatched for the above Ports
on THURSDAY, the 17th inst., at Day-
light.
For Freight or Passage, apply to
DOUGLAS LAFRAIK & Co.
Hongkong, April 15, 1879. ap17

FOR SHANGHAI.
The Steamship
"LORD OF THE ISLES,"
will be despatched as above
on FRIDAY, the 18th inst.,
at 2 p.m.
For Freight or Passage, apply to
GIBB, LIVINGSTON & Co.,
Agents.
Hongkong, April 15, 1879. ap18

**FOR SINGAPORE, SYDNEY AND
MELBOURNE.**
(Calling off the usual Coast Ports, and
taking through Cargo and Passengers
for New Zealand.)
The Eastern and Australian
Mail Steam Co.'s Steamer
"SOMERSET,"
Capt. POCKLEY, will be
despatched as above on SATURDAY Next,
the 19th inst., at Noon.
For Freight or Passage, apply to
GIBB, LIVINGSTON & Co.
Hongkong, April 15, 1879. ap19

FROM LONDON AND SINGAPORE.

THE S.S. *Glenagles* having arrived from
the above Ports, Consignees of Cargo
are hereby informed that their Goods
being landed at their risk into the Godowns
of the Undersigned, whence and/or from
the Wharves or Boats delivery may be
obtained.
Optional Cargo will be forwarded unless
notice to the contrary be given before 2
o'clock on 14th.
Cargo remaining undelivered after the
21st inst. will be subject to rent.
No Fire Insurance has been effected.
Bills of Lading will be countersigned by
JARDINE, MATHESON & Co.
Hongkong, March 15, 1879. ap21

**FROM LONDON, SINGAPORE AND
PENANG.**
THE Steamship *Lord of the Isles* having
arrived from the above Ports, Consignees
of Cargo are hereby informed that their
Goods are being landed at their risk into
the Godowns of the Undersigned,
whence and/or from the Wharf or Boats
delivery may be obtained.
Cargo remaining undelivered after the
21st inst. will be subject to rent.
No Fire Insurance has been effected.
Bills of Lading will be countersigned by
GIBB, LIVINGSTON & Co.,
Agents.
Hongkong, April 15, 1879. ap21

**SAINT JOHN'S CATHEDRAL
CHURCH.**
THE ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING
of the Seafarers of St. John's
CATHEDRAL CHURCH, will be held at the
Vestry on THURSDAY, the 24th day of
April inst., at 4.30 p.m., for the purpose
of electing Two Trustees for the ensuing
year, and for passing the accounts of the
Treasurer, under the Provisions of Clauses
4 and 16 of Ordinance No. 2 of 1847.
Applications for Seats may be made to the
Undersigned.
EDMUND SHARP,
Trustee and Treasurer to the
Body of Trustees.
Hongkong, April 15, 1879. ap24

Occidental & Oriental Steam-Ship Company.

TAKING THROUGH CARGO AND
PASSENGERS FOR THE UNITED
STATES AND EUROPE,
IN CONNECTION WITH THE
CENTRAL
AND
UNION PACIFIC AND CONNECTING
RAILROAD COMPANIES.
ATLANTIC STEAMERS.

THE S.S. *OCEANIC* will be despatched
for San Francisco via Yokohama,
on SATURDAY, May 3rd, 1879, at 3
p.m., taking Cargo and Passengers to
Japan, the United States, Mexico, Central
and South America, and Europe.
Connection is made at Yokohama, with
Steamers from Shanghai.
Freight will be received on Board until
4 p.m. of the 2nd May. PARCEL
PACKAGES will be received at the Office
until 5 p.m. same day; all Parcel Packages
should be marked to address in full; value
of same is required.
A REDUCTION is made on RETURN PAS-
SAGE TICKETS.
Consular Invoices to accompany Over-
land, Mexican, Central and South American
Cargo, should be sent to the Company's
Office addressed to the Collector of Customs,
San Francisco.
For further information as to Freight
or Passage, apply to the Agency of the
Company, No. 37, Queen's Road Central.
H. M. BLANCHARD,
Acting Agent.
April 15, 1879. 1879

To-day's Advertisements.

FOR MANILA (DIRECT.)
The Spanish Steamer
"SALVADORA,"
LARRINAGA, Master, will be
despatched for the above
Port on FRIDAY, the 18th inst., at 5 p.m.
For Light Cargo or Passage, apply to
REMEDIOS & Co.
Hongkong, April 15, 1879. ap18

THE HONGKONG CHORAL
SOCIETY,
WILL PERFORM
TRIAL BY JURY,
by
ARTHUR SULLIVAN,
and
DIBDIN'S BALLAD OPERA,
THE WATERMAN,
at the
CITY HALL THEATRE,
ON
TUESDAY NEXT,
the 22nd inst., at 9 p.m.

Tickets may be obtained and Places se-
cured at Messrs LANE, CRAWFORD & Co.'s,
on and after Thursday, the 17th, at Noon.
W. WHEELER,
Acting Hon. Secretary.
Hongkong, April 15, 1879. ap22

Not Responsible for Debts.

Neither the Captain, the Agents, nor
Owners will be Responsible for any
Debt contracted by the Officers or Crew
of the following Vessels, during their stay
in Hongkong Harbour:—
JOHANN FRIEDRICH, German brig, Capt.
A. H. Kroncke.—Wieler & Co.
GOLDEN FLEET, British barque, Capt.
James Wiltshire.—Gilman & Co.
ONEIDA, British ship, Captain S. Clyma.
—Gibb, Livingston & Co.
TAIWAN, German barque, Captain C.
Jessen.—Arnhold, Karberg & Co.
QUEEN OF INDIA, British barque, Capt.
R. H. Cary.—Adamson, Bell & Co.
LORD OF THE ISLES, British steamer,
Capt. T. S. Beal.—Gibb, Livingston & Co.

SHIPPING.
ARRIVALS.
April 13, *Flensburg*, Danish barque, 365,
E. A. Jacobsen, Chief. April 6, General.
—EDUARD SCHREIBER & Co.
April 13, *Hass*, American ship, 882,
Evans, Kobe March 28, General.—BUTTER-
FIELD & SWIRE.
April 13, *Memnon*, American ship, 850,
Watt, Sydney (N.S.W.) Feb. 18, Coal.—
MELCHERS & Co.
April 13, *Glenagles*, British steamer,
1887, G. S. MacBain, London March 5, via
ports of call, and Singapore April 7, Gen-
eral.—JARDINE, MATHESON & Co.
April 13, *Amoy*, British steamer, 814, G.
H. Drewes, Shanghai April 10, General.—
SIMPSON & Co.
April 13, *H.M.S. Vigilant*, from Amoy.
April 13, *China*, German steamer, from
Canton.
April 13, *An-lan*, Chinese R. C., from
Canton.
April 14, *Kwangtung*, British steamer,
675, Punched, Fochow April 9, Amoy 11,
and Swatow 12, General.—DOUGLAS LA-
FRAIK & Co.
April 14, *Denbighshire*, British barque,
486, Williams, Kobe April 1, Ballast.—
GIBB, LIVINGSTON & Co.
April 14, *Someret*, British steamer, 1000,
W. H. Pockley, Sydney March 18, Bowen
23, and Cocktown 25, General.—GIBB, LI-
VINGSTON & Co.
April 15, 5 a.m., *Diamante*, British str.,
514, E. Thebaud, Manila April 12, 5 p.m.,
General.—RUSSELL & Co.
April 15, *Anadyr*, French steamer, 2440,
Brunet, Shanghai April 12, Mails and
General.—MESSAGERIES MARITIMES.
April 15, *Lord of the Isles*, British str.,
1586, T. S. Beal, London Feb. 25, via
ports of call, and Singapore April 8, Gen-
eral.—GIBB, LIVINGSTON & Co.
April 15, *Salvadora*, Spanish steamer,
616, Larrinaga, Manila April 12, General.
—REMEDIOS & Co.
April 15, *Wash*, British steamer, 235,
Hunter, Quana (Annam) April 10, Gen-
eral.—LANDSTEIN & Co.

SHIPPING.

DEPARTURES.
Apr. 15, *Douglas* for Coast Ports.
13, *Haitong*, for Amoy, &c.
13, *Yung Pao*, Chi. g.-b., for Fochow.
15, *Black Hawk*, for San Francisco.
13, *Pernambuco*, for Saig o.
13, *Teviot*, for Saigon.
13, *Amoy*, for Canton.
14, *Vigory*, for Whampoa.
14, *China*, for Ningbo and Shanghai.
15, *Chop-chung*, Chi. R.C., for a cruise.
CLEARED.
B. F. Watson, for Saigon.
Norma, for Saigon.
Glenagles, for Shanghai.
Emil Julius, for Whampoa.
PASSENGERS.
ARRIVED.
Per *Glenagles*, from London, &c., for
Hon. Kong, Mr. Mrs and Miss Carlson,
Messrs K. Craig, Elliot, A. Milne, W.
Dietke, and L. H. Paterson, and Captain
Alsing; for Shanghai Mr and Mrs Dodi-
well; for Yokohama, Messrs Harris, Hen-
ingham, and Munloh.
Per *Kwangtung*, from Coast Ports Mr
and Mrs Danver, Mr and Mrs Clancy,
Messrs Murray, Harman, Abella, and
Soames, 2 Europeans deck, and 14 Chinese.
Per *Diamante*, from Manila, Mrs The-
baud, Miss "Nell," Messrs R. Cadocinger,
A. Oliver, C. Pitt, J. R. Hidalgo, and E.
Villanero.
Per *Anadyr*, from Shanghai; for Hong-
kong, Messrs Villanero, and Forbes, Mrs
Iathato, and 4 Chinese; for Port Said, Mr
Teras and child; for Marseilles, Vte.
Brenier, Messrs Dagat, Murelob, Honking,
and Lambing.
Per *Salvadora*, from Manila, Mr R. V.
Acia.
Per *Amoy*, from Shanghai, 65 Chinese.
Per *Someret*, from Sydney, &c., 99
Chinese.
Per *Wash*, from Quana, 8 Chinese.

PASSENGERS.
DEPARTED.
Per *Douglas*, for Fochow, Mr and Mrs
Phillips.
Per *Haitong*, for Tamsui, Dr. Mann.
Per *Black Hawk*, for San Francisco, 1
European, and 20 Chinese.
Per *Pernambuco*, for Saigon, 100 Chi-
nese.
TO DEPART.
Per *Glenagles*, for Shanghai, 8 Chinese.

SHIPPING REPORTS.

The British steamer *Amoy* reports:
First part fresh Northerly winds and rainy
weather, latter part moderate Easterly
winds and fine weather.
The British steamer *Kwangtung* reports:
Left Fochow on the 9th, anchored at
Sharp Peak for 22 hours owing to foggy
weather, got under weigh on the 10th, had
strong N.E. winds and high sea to Swatow,
thence to port moderate Northerly winds
and fine weather. In Fochow: S. S.
Europe. In Amoy: S. S. Namoa and Deu-
cation, and U. S. S. Ranger. In Swatow:
S. S. Fochow, Newchwang, and Hoohung.
On the 10th inst. passed H.M.S. *Vigilant*
off White Dogs bound to Fochow. On the
12th passed S. S. *Douglas* off Ninopins.
The British steamer *Diamante* reports:
Moderate N.E. monsoon and fine weather
throughout.
The British steamer *Lord of the Isles* re-
ports: First part of the voyage and until
arrival at Port Said, experienced heavy
weather and strong head winds, from
thence to Singapore fine weather, and from
thence to this port strong head winds and
heavy head sea.
The British steamer *Wash* reports:
Strong N.E. winds and heavy sea through-
out the passage. On the 11th passed Ger-
man barque *Jan Peter* bound South.

POST OFFICE NOTICES.

MAILS WILL CLOSE:—
For SAIGON.—
Per *Noria*, at 7.30 a.m. To-morrow, the
16th inst.
For MANILA.—
Per *Diamante*, at 11.30 a.m. To-morrow,
the 16th inst.
Per *Pendo*, at 3.30 p.m. To-morrow, the
16th inst.
For STRAITS SETTLEMENTS, AND
CALCUTTA.—
Per *Moray* and *Arratoon* appear, at 2.30
p.m., on Wednesday, the 15th inst.
For SWATOW, AMOY, & FOOCHOW.—
Per *Kwangtung*, at 5 p.m. To-morrow,
the 16th inst.
For SAIGON.—
Per *Cassandra*, at 5 p.m., on Friday, the
2nd May.

MAILS BY THE FRENCH PACKET.—
The French Contract Packet *Anadyr* will
be despatched on SATURDAY, the
19th inst., with Mails to and
through the United Kingdom and
Europe, via Naples; to Saigon, Straits
Settlements, Batavia, Burmah, Ceylon,
India (via Madras), Australia, New
Zealand, Tasmania, Fiji, Aden, Sey-
chelles, Reunion, Mauritius, Suez,
and Alexandria. This is the best
opportunity for forwarding Corre-
spondence to E. Africa, the Cape,
St. Helena, and Ascension.

MAILS BY THE BRITISH PACKET.—
The British Contract Packet *Khiva*,
will be despatched on TUESDAY,
the 22nd inst., with Mails to and
through the United Kingdom and
Europe, via Brindisi or Southampton;
to the Straits Settlements, Batavia,
Burmah, Ceylon, India, Aden, Egypt,
Malta, and Gibraltar.
N.B.—This Packet carries no mails for the
Australian Colonies, E. or S. Africa,
nor for Mauritius.

HOURS OF CLOSING

THE CONTRACT MAILS.
The following hours are observed in closing
Mails, &c., by both the British and
French Contract Packets:—
Day before departure, —
o.m.—Money Order Office closes; Post
Office closes except the Night Box,
which remains open all night.
Day of departure, —
7 a.m.—Post Office opens.
10 a.m.—Registry of Letters ceases.
Posting of all printed matter and
patterns ceases.
1 p.m.—Mails closed, except for Late
Letters.
11.10 a.m.—Letters may be posted with
Late Fee of 18 cents until
11.30 a.m.—when the Post Office Closes
entirely.
11.40 a.m.—Late Letters may be posted
on board the packet with Late Fee of
18 cents until time of departure.

General Memoranda

THURSDAY, April 17:—
Daylight.—*Kwangtung* leaves for Coast
Ports.
FRIDAY, April 18:—
11 a.m.—Sale of Yellow Metal at Zetland
Street.
2 p.m.—*Lord of the Isles* leaves for
Shanghai.
5 p.m.—*Salvadora* leaves for Manila.
9 p.m.—Meeting of Victoria Lodge.
SATURDAY, April 19:—
11 a.m.—Meeting of E. Lilley's creditors.
Noon.—*Someret* leaves for Singapore,
&c.
MONDAY, April 21:—
Goods per *Glenagles* undelivered after
this date subject to rent.
Goods per *Lord of the Isles* undelivered
after this date subject to rent.
TUESDAY, April 22:—
Noon.—English Mail leaves for Ports
of Call and Europe.
9 p.m.—Choral Society at the City Hall.
WEDNESDAY, April 23:—
Loudon Castle leaves for Hankow.
THURSDAY, April 24:—
4.30 p.m.—Meeting of the Seafarers of
St. John's Cathedral Church at the
Vestry.
SATURDAY, May 3:—
8 p.m.—Occidental & Oriental S. S. Co.'s
Steamer leaves for Yokohama and San
Francisco.
THURSDAY, May 6:—
8 p.m.—Extraordinary Meeting of the
Hongkong Fire Insurance Company.
TUESDAY, May 20:—
8 p.m.—Extraordinary Meeting of Hong-
kong Fire Insurance Company.

MEMOS. FOR TO-MORROW.

Shipping.
Noon.—*Diamante* leaves for Manila.
3 p.m.—*Moray* and *Arratoon* appear
for Singapore, &c.
Amusement.
9 p.m.—Dramatic Performance at the
Garrison Theatre.
Meeting.
9 p.m.—Meeting of Penitence Lodge.

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Hongkong, June 1, 1876.
The publication of this issue commenced
at 8.00 p.m.

THE CHINA MAIL.

HONGKONG, TUESDAY, APRIL 15, 1879.

DURING the last ten or fifteen years
probably a score of articles have ap-
peared, in these and other columns, with
the object of impressing upon the Govern-
ment the absolute necessity of a complete
codification of the laws of the Colony.
This subject has been somewhat lost
sight of since the advent of the present
Governor, owing partly to the fresh
stream of legislation that invariably
follows a new ruler and partly to the
public attention being absorbed with
other matters of importance. It would
perhaps be unfair to expect Mr Pope
Hennessy to undertake the task of codify-
ing the law, or even to rearrange
the present Ordinances, in view of the
existing plethora of undigested schemes
before the Executive. But the very fact
that our ill-arranged Statute-Book is fast
becoming unmanageable from its large
dimensions, as well as from its chaotic
condition, is in itself a strong reason
why the work of sifting the wheat from
the chaff should not much longer be
delayed. Those whose special business
leads them to look into such matters
know best how great is the need for a
consolidated code of the Ordinances of
Hongkong, constructed upon the model
of the Indian Code so ably elaborated by
Sir Fitzjames Stephen. Ten years ago
this necessity was officially recognised, and
some movement was observable in official
circles to attain this desirable object.
The late Mr W. H. Alexander was then
regarded as the man who of all others
was most capable of carrying out the
proposed reform; but more pressing offi-
cial duties, and his subsequent illness
and death, appear to have stifled the
good intentions of the authorities in this
direction. Mr Lister, who possesses a
passion for accuracy and order, did good
service in the compilation of the only
comprehensive Index of the Ordinances
ever published; but this good work was
completed in the year 1870—and con-
fusion has been becoming worse con-
founded from that date to the present
day. We entertain a very profound
suspicion, and have exceedingly strong
grounds for so doing, that there is hardly
a single copy of the Ordinances in this
Colony, complete in every sense—i.e.,
containing every enactment that has
become law up to date, and bearing
evidence of the annotations and erasures
rendered necessary by the numerous
repeals of Ordinances and portions of
Ordinances that have become necessary
during the last twenty or twenty-five
years. We could reveal many little in-
cidents, in support of this statement,
which have come under our notice in
the working of some of the chief de-
partments of the Government Service. But
the most cursory glance at even an
imperfectly annotated copy of our local
Statute-Book is sufficient to show that
the attainment of a comprehensive and
accurate knowledge of the law of the
Colony is almost as difficult a task as
would be the acquisition of a hard
language without the aid of a teacher
or a lexicon.

These considerations are put forward
with the supposition that it is possible to
procure the printed laws of the Colony.
But when it is found by experience that
it is impossible to obtain even unannotated
copies of the Ordinances, that this
apparently insurmountable difficulty has
existed for many years, and that the
Supreme Court officers are themselves
put to the greatest trouble in collating
the loose sheets of the modern enact-
ments under which over a hundred
thousand persons in Hongkong are gov-
erned, the real extent of this official
scandal may be in some measure realised.
We are informed that the Great Fire on
Christmas night placed matters, if possi-
ble, in a worse condition than ever; for
not only were the Ordinances of the last
few years destroyed, but many of the
back volumes of the *Government Gazette*
were also reduced to ashes. As all the
bills passed by the Legislative Council,
with their confirmation and proclama-
tion, are published in the official Journal,

the destruction of the *Gazette* files natu-
rally rendered it impossible to seek for
the law in its numerous folios. Practi-
cally, therefore, the public are shut out
from even a possible knowledge of its
laws.

Thus far as to the English-speaking
community. When we consider the
Chinese-speaking majority, how stands
the case? It is extremely doubtful whether
any attempt has ever been made to
translate the laws of Hongkong into
comprehensible Chinese. Of course it
may fairly be said that it would be worse
than useless to do so until the English
version itself was in a fit state to be
translated. But it may be admitted
that the magnitude of the undertaking
has hitherto prevented this idea from
taking definite shape. Still it is un-
questionably a duty that the Government
owes to the Chinese residing under its
jurisdiction, and that duty must sooner
or later be discharged. How this duty
is to be performed is quite another mat-
ter, but it must be apparent to all inter-
ested in the subject that the English text
must be amended and arranged before
the Chinese work can be commenced.
Whatever opinion may be held as to the
discretion of Mr Hennessy's policy tow-
ards the Chinese—so far as the undue
deference paid to the Tung Wah Hospi-
tal Committee and the criminal classes
are concerned—the Governor deserves
the greatest credit for the desire he has
shown to inform the Chinese, through
the *Gazette* and elsewhere, as to the offi-
cial acts of the Government. His ap-
pointment of a paid translator, and his
proposal to constitute a Chinese Depart-
ment or Bureau for facilitating a
properly-recognised intercourse with re-
spectable Chinese will doubtless lead to
good results, so long as a wise discrimi-
nation be present in dealing with native
representations. And if, amongst other
reforms, this Department now "under
consideration" be calculated to forward
the making of an intelligible translation
of the laws of Hongkong into Chinese,
it will furnish at least one reason for its
existence. This will probably be the
work of years, and it cannot be done
by an officer who translates all other
Government documents and takes charge
of the Court interpretation at the same
time. But nevertheless it ought and
must be accomplished.

It would be almost useless to discuss
the means by which these most necessary
reforms can best be brought about. As
it is no ordinary work, it must, it seems
to us, be carried out by an official whose
time is not seriously encroached upon
by other duties. Codification must of
necessity fall upon a legal man; and as
the Colony is not blessed at present with
a Sir Fitzjames Stephen, the officiating
Puisne Judge might not inaptly be
selected for the legal part of the work.
If arranging, printing and indexing be
the limit of the scheme, then an
official who is not a lawyer—say Mr
Lister, if he can be spared from his pre-
sent duties—would probably be the right
man in the right place. Whatever is to
be done, had better be done quickly, as
the chaos becomes more hopeless every
day.

REUTER'S TELEGRAMS.

[SUPPLIED TO THE "CHINA MAIL."]
(Per E. E. A. & Co. Telegraph Co.'s Line.)

LONDON, 13th April, 1879.
"The Standard," in a leading article,
announces that if the Khedive, after a
friendly warning from England and France,
fails to retrieve the mistakes of the
administration, the Sultan will be invited
to depose him.
It is stated in St. Petersburg that the
Russian Government has decided to sur-
render Kulja and conclude a new Con-
vention with China.

LOCAL AND GENERAL.

THE AMERICAN MAILS are now over due by the
P. M. steamer *Alaska*.
The next FRENCH MAILS may be expected here
to-morrow (Wednesday) the 16th inst., by
the M. N. steamer *Sindh*.
The next ENGLISH MAILS may be expected here,
on Sunday next, the 20th inst., by the
P. & O. steamer *Gwalior*.

THE cases at the Summary Jurisdiction
Court to-day were mostly uninteresting.

H.M.S. *Vigilant* returned from Fochow
on Sunday.

VICEDOMIAL COOTE visited the French
man-of-war *Cosmos* yesterday, and received
the usual salute.

THE P. & O. steamer *Gwalior*, with the
next English Mail, left Singapore for Hong-
kong at daylight on Monday morning.

It is notified in the *London Gazette* that
the Queen has been pleased to approve Mr
Domenico Musso as Consul at Hongkong
for the King of Italy.

THE M. N. steamer *Sindh*, with the next
French Mail, passed Cape St. James at
9.40 on Sunday morning, having left Saigon
for this port at 6 a.m. same day.

YESTERDAY being the birthday of the
"Queen of Heaven" was observed as a
gala day by the Chinese community, espe-
cially amongst the sea-faring class.

THE charge against Captain Martin, master
of the steamer *Shang*, for carrying an

excessive number of passengers, will be
heard to-morrow.

We would again remind our readers of the
Dramatic entertainments to be given at the
Garrison Theatre this evening and to-mor-
row, for the benefit of the widow of a late
member of the Corps.

THE local Agents of the Occidental and
Oriental Steamship Company have received
telegraphic advices that the S. S. *Oceanic*,
with mails from San Francisco and Yoko-
hama, was to sail for this port to-day
(Tuesday).

THE change of mail-day takes place next
week. The French Mail leaving on Satur-
day the 19th inst., is the last Saturday
mail; the P. & O. steamer leaves on the
following Tuesday, that is the 22nd; and
Tuesday will be mail day from that date.

AN inquest was held at Victoria Gaol yester-
day on the body of a prisoner named
Lui Afu, aged 48 years. The evidence went
to show that the cause of death was dysen-
tery and the Jury, comprising Messrs R.
Moore, L. Hauschild, and J. P. Pascoal,
returned a verdict accordingly.

OUR readers will be glad to learn that the
Choral Society are to give "Trial by Jury"
again on Tuesday next. The deserved popu-
larity of the opera, joined to the excel-
lence of the previous performances of the
Choral Society, put it beyond a doubt that
the audience will be large and enthusiastic.

HIS Lordship the Chief Justice sat to-day
to dispose of a motion by Messrs Sharpe,
Toller and Johnson, on behalf of the
National Bank (Limited), for liberty to sell,
under writ of execution, certain property,
part of the estate of Nursey Kesowjee and
others who have been adjudged bankrupts.
No order was made.

We understand that Major Huskisson (80th
Regt.), at present Assistant Military Se-
cretary to Major-General Donovan, is under
orders to join his Regiment at the Cape,
and in the Zulu campaign will have an op-
portunity of distinguishing himself. He
gained his brevet majority by service as
Acting Deputy Assistant Quartermaster
General, under Major-General Colborne,
against the Malays in Perak 1875-76. The
post of Assistant Military Secretary will be
taken up by Captain Barton of the 27th
Infantry.

We have to acknowledge receipt of two
pamphlets on the Opium Question. "Eng-
land, China, and Opium," three essays,
by the Hon. Sir Edward Fry, one of the
Judges of the High Court of Justice, ap-
peared in the *Contemporary Review*, and was
noticed in our columns at this time. The
other, "The Opium Question," is a review
of the opium policy of Great Britain and
its results to India and China, dedicated to
the Earl of Chichester, by the Rev. Arthur
E. Moule, of the Church Missionary Society,
Ningpo; with a preface by Edward B.
Cowell, M.A., fellow of Corpus Christi
College, and professor of Sanskrit in the
University of Cambridge, and formerly
principal of the Sanskrit College, Calcutta.

SHIPPING NOTES.—The P. & O. steamer
China was docked at Aberdeen on Sunday
the German steamer *Feronia* has gone
round to Aberdeen dock; the E. & A. str.
Someret arrived here on Sunday, and brings
the detailed news, we give elsewhere, of the
stranding of the A. S. N. Co.'s str. *Ocean*,
the *Mary E. Ray*, from Hamburg to Hong-
kong, was spoken on the 11th Jan. in lat.
33 S., and long. 27 W.; rumours are
current in town of the loss of the O.
M. steamer *Meili*; but there seems to be
no reliable foundation for those; the O.
& O. str. *Oceanic* was to leave Yoko-
hama for this port to-day, but there is still
no information as to the *Alaska*; the *Glen-
agles* (str.) arrived here yesterday from
London, having made the run in 39 days,
including all stoppages; the Brit. barque
Presto and *Chance* reached Keelung on the
6th inst. Strong northerly winds and
heavy seas are reported prevailing to the
southward of this port, and light variable
winds to the northward.

For the last two days it has been rumoured
in town that the C. M. S. N. Co.'s Steamer
Meili is lost. We have made careful en-
quiries, but are unable to trace the report to
any reliable source. The agents here are of
opinion that it is entirely false, as no vessel
has arrived which could have brought the
news; at all events, they have heard no-
thing of the matter except the bare rumour.
One version of the story is that she foundered,
and a second is that she collided with
another vessel; but both versions agree that
there have been several lives lost. The
Meili (better known as the *Millat* of Taku-
bar fame) left this on the 3rd inst., bound
for Hoihow, with a general cargo, and the
Conquest left two days later for the
same port. If all has gone well, the agents
expect that the *Meili* will arrive here in a
couple of days, but at all events the arrival
of the *Conquest* or the *Alaska* will set all
doubts at rest.

Quotations.	
Hongkong, April 15, 1879.	
OPIMUM.—New Patna, cash,...	\$560
" Old " cash,...	---
" New Benares, cash, 500	---
" Old " cash,...	---
" New Malwa, credit, 750	---
" Allowance Taela,...	---
" Old Malwa, credit,...	---
" Allowance Taela,...	---
Exchange.	
Bank, Wire,...	3/6
" 30 days' sight,...	3/8 1/2
" 6 months' sight,...	3/7 1/2
Credits,...	3/7 1/2
Documentary, 6 months' sight, 3/7 1/2	---
India, Wire,...	218 a
" demand,...	229
Shanghai, demand,...	75 1/2
" 30 days' sight,...	75 1/2
Gold Leaf, 99 1/2 fine...	50
Sovereigns,...	26 5/8
Shares.	
Hongkong Bank, 40 % prem.	---
Union Ins. Society of Canton, \$1,400	---
North China Ins. Co., Tls. 1,260	---
China Traders' Ins. Co., \$1,800	---
Yangtze Ins. Assoc., Tls. 710	---
Chinese Insurance Co., \$270	---
H.K. Fire Ins. Co., \$750	---
China Fire Ins. Co., \$175	---
H.K. & W. Dock Co., par.	---
H.K. C. & M. S.-boat Co., \$5 dia.	---
Shanghai Steam Navigation, Tls. 17	---
China Coast S. Nav. Co., Tls. 95, ex	---
Hongkong Gas Co., \$70	---
Hongkong Hotel Co., \$65	---
China Sugar Refining Co., \$130	---
Chinese Imperial Loan, £110	---
Do. of 1877, £113	---
Temperature.	
(Taken at Messrs Fulcomer & Co.'s Prem Queen's Road.)	
Hongkong, April 15, 1879.	
BAROMETER—9 A.M....	30.100
Do. 1 P.M....	30.032
Do. 4 P.M....	29.813
Thermometer—9 A.M....	70
Do. 1 P.M....	71
Do. 4 P.M....	70
Do. (Wet bulb) 9 A.M....	68 1/2
Do. Do. 1 P.M....	69
Do. Do. 4 P.M....	67 1/2
Do. Maximum....	71 1/2
Do. Minimum after night	69

NOTICES TO CONSIGNEES.

COMPAGNIE DES MESSAGERIES MARITIMES.
NOTICE TO CONSIGNEES.

CONSIGNEES of the following Cargo are requested to send in their Bills of Lading to the Undersigned for counter-signature, and take immediate delivery. This Cargo has been landed and stored at their risk and expense.

No Fire Insurance has been effected.
G. DE CHAMPEAUX,
Agent.

Ex "Paiho."
A ME (in diamond) H L 3 (underneath) Nos. 3, Order, 1 case Cotton, from London.

FV Mr. F. Vincenot, 26 bags Beans, A L from Saigon.

A Nos. 135/142, Assen, 8 cases Umbrellas, from Marcellles.

A A No. 100, Messrs Melchers & Co., 1 case Merchandise, from Marcellles.

SP Order, 22 bags Stones, from Madras. Hongkong, April 10, 1879.

NOTICES OF FIRMS.

NOTICE.

THE INTEREST and RESPONSIBILITY of Mr WILLIAM SALWAY in our Firm CEASED on the 1st instant. Mr W. WILSON will sign the Firm in Liquidation.

WILSON & SALWAY,
Architects, &c.

WITH Reference to the above, I have admitted Mr SUTHERBY GODFREY BIRD as a Partner; the Business will henceforward be continued under the Name of 'WILSON & BIRD.'

W. WILSON.
Hongkong, April 7, 1879. my7

NOTICE.

THE INTEREST and RESPONSIBILITY of Mr WALLER SCOTT FITZ, in our Firm in Hongkong and China, CEASED on the 31st December last.

Mr CHARLES VINCENT SMITH is admitted a Partner from this Date.

RUSSELL & Co.
Hongkong, January 1, 1879. jyl

NOTICE.

MR. JAMES ANDERSON, formerly Manager of the Fookchow Docks, has this Day been admitted a Partner in our Firm.

J. INGLIS & Co.,
Victoria Foundry, Wanchai.

Hongkong, April 1, 1879. jrs

NOTICE.

THE Interest and Responsibility of the Undersigned in the Chinese Mail, 華字日報 (Wah Tze Yat Po), CEASED from the 1st August, 1877, but Debts prior to that Date will be received and paid by him.

CHUN AYIN.
Hongkong, April 6, 1878.

NOTICE.

IN Reference to the above, the Undersigned has LEASED the Chinese Mail from the 1st August, 1877, and has engaged the services of Mr LAMSE YOOK CHUN, as Translator and General Manager of the newspaper, which under its new regime will be found to be, as hitherto, an excellent medium for advertising, especially as the Manager is able to devote his whole attention to the conduct of the Newspaper.

KONG OHM,
Lessee of the Hongkong Chinese Mail.
Hongkong, April 6, 1878.

TO LET.

TO BE LET.

THE Building known as the LUSITANO THEATRE in ELGIN STREET, with the Out-buildings adjoining.

These Premises, from their central position and considerable extent, would be very suitable for a SCHOOL-HOUSE, or for a FURNITURE WARE-HOUSE, BAZAAR, or STORE.

Apply to
H. W. DAVIS,
2, Queen's Road.

Hongkong, April 9, 1879. ap16

TO LET.

(WITH IMMEDIATE POSSESSION.)

NO. 2, WESTBOURNE VILLAS, recently occupied by Mr DANCY. Gas and Water laid on.

Apply to
Linstead & Co.
Hongkong, April 10, 1879. ap17

TO LET—AT WANCHAI.

FIRST CLASS GODOWNS.

Goods of every description Landed and Stored.

For terms, apply to

LANDSTEIN & Co.
Hongkong, April 4, 1879. jrs

TO LET.

HOUSES, Nos. 3 and 4, SEYMOUR TERRACE.

DAVID SASSOON, SONS & Co.
Hongkong, April 8, 1879.

TO LET.

OFFICES in CLUB CHAMBERS.

The BUNGALOW No. 3, OLD BAILEY STREET.

Apply to
DOUGLAS LAPRAIK & Co.
Hongkong, April 6, 1879.

TO LET.

PORTION of a HOUSE, very suitable for OFFICES and DWELLING, also for a STORE, Queen's Road Central. Possession 1st March next.

Apply to
LANDSTEIN & Co.
Hongkong, February 4, 1879.

TO LET.

IN the Houses on MARINE LOT 65, formerly known as the Blue Houses, situate on Praya East:—

FIRST FLOORS of Nos. 2, 3 and 4, Praya East, with immediate possession.

As also,

A FRONT and BACK ROOM in the DWELLING to the eastward of the Pier, with part of its spacious Verandah. Immediate Possession.

TO LET.

FIRST CLASS GRANITE GODOWNS, attached to Blue Houses at Wanchai, MARINE LOT 65.

Also,

A SPACIOUS TIMBER YARD, close to the Wanchai Pier. Timber received on Storage or the Yard Rented.

For further particulars, apply to
MEYER & Co.
Hongkong, March 4, 1879.

TO BE LET.

TWO Excellent STONE-FLOORED GODOWNS, on Marine Lot No. 10, Praya Central.

Apply to
TURNER & Co.
Hongkong, August 1, 1878.

TO LET.

FIRST-CLASS OFFICES and GODOWNS, Nos. 54 and 60, Praya Central.

Apply to
WO HANG,
Nos. 6 and 7, Praya West.
Hongkong, January 2, 1879.

To Let.

STEAM FOR SINGAPORE, PENANG, POINT DE GALLE, ADEN, SUEZ, MALTA, BRINDISI, ANCONA, VENICE, MEDITERRANEAN PORTS, SOUTH-AMPTON, AND LONDON; ALSO BOMBAY, MADRAS, AND CALCUTTA.

THE PENINSULAR AND ORIENTAL STEAM NAVIGATION COMPANY'S Steamship KHIVA, Captain G. LEV, will leave this on TUESDAY, the 22nd April, at Noon.

For further Particulars, apply to
A. McIVER, Superintendent.
Hongkong, April 12, 1879. ap22

NOTICE.

COMPAGNIE DES MESSAGERIES MARITIMES.

PAQUEBOTS POSTE FRANCAIS.

STEAM FOR SAIGON, SINGAPORE, BATAVIA, POINT DE GALLE, COLOMBO, ADEN, SUEZ, ISMAILIA, PORT SAID, NAPLES, AND MARSEILLES; Also, BOMBAY, MAHE, ST. DENIS, AND PORT LOUIS.

ON SATURDAY, the 18th April, 1879, at Noon, the Company's S. S. ANADYR, Commandant BRUWER, with MAILS, PASSENGERS, FREIGHT, and CARGO, will leave this Port for the above places.

Cargo and Speed will be registered for London as well as for Marcellles, and accepted in transit through Marcellles for the principal places of Europe.

Shipping Orders will be granted until Noon.

Cargo will be received on board until 4 p.m., Specie and Parcels until 3 p.m. on the 18th April, 1879. (Parcels are not to be sent on board; they must be left at the Agency's Office.)

Contents and value of Packages are required.

For further particulars, apply at the Company's Office.

G. DE CHAMPEAUX,
Agent.
Hongkong, April 7, 1879. ap19

INSURANCES.

ROYAL INSURANCE COMPANY.

THE Undersigned, Agents for the above Company, are prepared to grant Insurances at current rates.

MELOERS & Co.,
Agents, Royal Insurance Company.
Hongkong, October 27, 1874.

SWISS LLOYD TRANSPORT INSURANCE COMPANY OF WINTERTHUR.

THE Undersigned having been appointed Agents for the above Company, have taken over charge of the Hongkong Agency, and are prepared to grant INSURANCE on MARINE RISKS at current Rates to all parts of the World.

MEYER & Co.,
Hongkong, February 10, 1879.

INSURANCES.

QUEEN FIRE INSURANCE COMPANY.

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NORTON & Co.,
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Hongkong, January 1, 1874.

THE CHINA FIRE INSURANCE COMPANY, LIMITED.

HEAD OFFICE—HONGKONG.

AGENCIES at all the Treaty Ports of China and Japan, and at Singapore, Saigon and Penang.

Kinks accepted, and Policies of Insurance granted at the rates of Premium current at the above mentioned Ports.

NO CHARGE FOR POLICY FEES.

JAS. B. COUGHTRIE,
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THE LONDON ASSURANCE

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Attention is invited to a considerable reduction in Premium for Life Insurance in China.

MEYER & Co.
Hongkong, August 13, 1878.

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ESTABLISHED 1809.

CAPITAL £2,000,000.

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Merchant Vessels in Hongkong Harbour.

Exclusive of late Arrivals and Departures reported to-day.

To facilitate finding the position of any vessel in the Harbour, the Anchorage is divided into eight Sections, commencing at Green Island. Vessels near the Hongkong shore are marked h., near the Kowloon shore k., and those in the body of the Shipping or midway between each shore are marked c., in conjunction with the figures denoting the sections.

Section.
1. From Green Island to the Gas Works.
2. From Gas Works to the Novelty Iron Works.
3. From Novelty Iron Works to the Harbour Master's Office.
4. From Harbour Master's to the P. and O. Co.'s Office.
5. From P. and O. Co.'s Office to Peddar's Wharf.
6. From Peddar's Wharf to the Naval Yard.
7. From Naval Yard to the Pier.
8. From Pier to East Point.

Vessel's Name.	Anchor- age.	Captain.	Flag and Rig.	Tons.	Date of Arrival.	Consignees or Agents.	Destination.	Remarks.
Steamers								
Anadyr	5 c	Brunet	Fch. str.	2440	April 15	Messageries Maritimes	Marcellles, &c.	Mails, 19th To-morrow
Arratoon Apear	5 h	Millie	Brit. str.	1392	April 15	David Sassoon, Sons & Co.	S'pore, Calcutta, &c.	
Bombay	1 h	Webb	Brit. str.	749	Feb. 12	Kwok Achong	Amoy	Sands' Slip
Chiang Hock Kian	1 h	Alderton	Brit. str.	956	Mar. 14	Bun Hin Chan	Yokohama	Ab'deen Dock
China	5 h	Thibaud	Brit. str.	1036	April 11	P. & O. S. N. Co.	Manilla	Tug Plying
Diamond	5 h	Stapani	Brit. str.	514	April 15	Russell & Co.		Ab'deen Dock
Fane	6 h	Schultzze	Ger. str.	117	April 15	H. K. & W'poo Dock Co.		at daylight
Peroula	6 h	Maebtain	Brit. str.	1115	April 15	Siemens & Co.		
Glenscales	5 c	Waring	Brit. str.	1837	April 13	Jardine, Matheson & Co.	Shanghai	
Gordon Castle	3 h	Panchard	Brit. str.	1281	April 14	Adamson, Bell & Co.	Saigon	
Kwangtung	5 h	Zuhlaquirre	Span. str.	675	April 14	Douglas Lappack & Co.	Coast Ports	17th, daylight
Leyte	5 h	Beal	Brit. str.	312	April 15	Russell & Co.		McD's Slip
Lord of the Isles	4 c	Marshall	Brit. str.	1586	April 15	Gibb, Livingston & Co.		
Loudon Castle	2 c	Clark	Brit. str.	1615	April 9	Adamson, Bell & Co.		
Maharajah	5 c	Munoz	Span. str.	994	April 9	Siemens & Co.		
Mariveles	5 h	Butcher	Brit. str.	425	Mar. 27	Remedios & Co.	Bangkok	
Moray	6 h	Walker	Brit. str.	1427	April 6	Jardine, Matheson & Co.	Manilla	K'loon Dock
Norma	2 h	Cain	Brit. str.	605	June 28	Kwok Achong	S'pore, Calcutta, &c.	To-morrow
Pecado	5 c	Haydon	Brit. str.	632	April 9	Melchers & Co.	Saigon	
Sea Gull	8 h	Baydon	Brit. str.	632	Mar. 24	China Traders' Insurance Co.		To-morrow
Somerset	4 c	Barthorne	Brit. str.	1000	Mar. 24	Gibb, Livingston & Co.	Australian Ports	19th, noon
Tung Ting	4 c	Bawthorne	Brit. str.	314	April 8	O. M. S. N. Co.		Coast Dock
Zephyr	1 h	Heuer	Brit. str.	.....	.....	Russell & Co.		
Sailing Vessels								
Abby Cowper	7 c	Carr	Brit. bge.	699	April 12	Jardine, Matheson & Co.		
Abbie N. Franklin	4 c	Hoves	Brit. bge.	460	Mar. 6	Captain		
B. F. Watson	8 c	Harkins	Amer. bge.	.....	Mar. 8	Butterfield & Swire	Saigon	Cleared
Charmat	4 c	Lucas	Amer. sh.	1333	Jan. 8	Russell & Co.	San Francisco	
Coeran	1 c	Brodhurst	Amer. scb.	144	April 11	W. H. Ray	Kobe	put back
Denbighshire	8 c	Williams	Brit. bge.	486	April 14	Gibb, Livingston & Co.		
Edward May	7 c	Johnson	Amer. bge.	928	April 8	Geo. R. Stevens & Co.		
Emil Julius	7 c	Jurgenson	Ger. bge.	501	Mar. 19	Melchers & Co.		
Emilio V.	8 c	Merello	Ital. bge.	724	Mar. 23	D. Museo & Co.		
Flensburg	4 k	Jacobsen	Dan. bge.	865	April 13	Edward Schellhass & Co.		
Fornosa	4 c	Burgwardt	Ger. 3m. sc.	282	Feb. 6	Vogel & Co.	Hamburg	
Friedrich Perthes	3 c	Walker	Ger. bge.	446	April 8	Siemens & Co.	Chefoo	
Golden Fleece	.....	Willshire	Brit. bge.	893	Mar. 10	Gilman & Co.	New York	Wanchai
Golden Rule	4 k	Lewis	Amer. sh.	1195	April 13	Vogel & Co.		
Haze	4 c	Evans	Amer. sh.	882	April 19	Butterfield & Swire		
Higlander	4 k	Hutchinson	Amer. sh.	1562	June 18	Vogel & Co.		
Jacohine	3 c	Bang	Ger. bge.	417	Mar. 19	Captain		
Johann Friedrich	1 c	Kroncke	Ger. bg.	242	April 12	Wieler & Co.	Tientsin	
Memnon	7 c	Wiles	Amer. sh.	850	April 13	Melchers & Co.		
Penobscot	4 c	Clipsman	Amer. bge.	1133	Feb. 23	Butterfield & Swire	San Francisco	
Onelia	5 k	Clipsman	Brit. sh.	2293	Mar. 15	Captain		
Orange Grove	8 c	Longmuir	Brit. bge.	385	Mar. 21	Geo. R. Stevens & Co.		
Platan	8 c	Chesal	Brit. bge.	676	April 10	Wieler & Co.		
Queen of India	3 c	Cary	Brit. bge.	890	April 10	Adamson, Bell & Co.		
Republio	4 c	Holmes	Amer. sh.	1361	Mar. 9	Captain	Honolulu	
Strathmore	4 c	Millar	Brit. bge.	1159	Dec. 17	Vogel & Co.	London	
Sumarilde	4 c	Tobiasen	Norw. sh.	943	Jan. 9	Vogel & Co.	London	
Sumatra	3 k	Clough	Amer. sh.	1090	Sept. 6	Russell & Co.		
Thos. A. Goddard	4 c	Smith	Amer. bge.	682	Jan. 9	Russell & Co.	New York	
Thomas Fletcher	3 k	Pendleton	Amer. bge.	645	Feb. 23	Captain	Victoria (V. I.)	
W. H. Holcomb	.....	Duntun	Amer. bge.	958	Mar. 28	Rozario & Co.	Portland (Oregon)	Coast Dock
WHAMPOA								
Taiwan	.....	Jessen	Ger. bge.	373	April 14	Arnhold, Karberg & Co.	Tientsin	
Victory	.....	Whiting	Brit. bg.	255	April 15	Ruard Schellhass & Co.	Tientsin	
CANTON								
Amoy	.....	Dreves	Brit. str.	814	April 14	Siemens & Co.	Shanghai	
Buay	.....	Croad	Ohl. str.	920	April 12	O. M. S. N. Co.	Shanghai	